

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A vehicle wheel comprising: a wheel base unit having a disk portion and a rim portion; and a cover attached to the wheel base unit portion, wherein the cover has deformable narrow spoke portions for partially covering, along a radial direction of the wheel, a disk ~~radial portion spoke~~ interconnecting the rim portion and a hub attachment portion to be connected to an axle, with the deformable narrow spoke portions provided with thin, deformable parts covering the approximately middle part of the disk radial portion,
wherein the thin, deformable parts have a smaller height in comparison with the rest of the deformable narrow spoke portions.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portions of the cover have an inside surface shape to come into contact with a covered surface of the outside surface of the disk ~~radial portion spoke~~ covered with the deformable narrow spoke portions.
4. (Currently Amended) The vehicle wheel of claim 3, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portions have side edges to come into contact with a covered surface of the disk ~~radial portion spoke~~.
5. (Currently Amended) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the disk ~~radial portion spoke~~ of the wheel base unit is shaped to be raised axially outward.

6. (Currently Amended) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the thin, deformable part is positioned so that side edge portions of the disk ~~radial portion-spoke~~ on either side of the thin, deformable part are visible and extend radially outward from side edges of the thin, deformable part.
7. (Currently Amended) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portion covers less than the entire surface of the disk ~~radial portion-spoke~~.
8. (Currently Amended) A vehicle wheel comprising:
a wheel base unit having a rim portion and a disk portion, the disk portion including a hub attachment portion to be attached to an axle and a disk ~~radial portion-spoke~~ interconnecting the rim portion and the hub attachment portion; and
a cover attached to the wheel base unit portion, the cover including a deformable narrow spoke ~~portions~~-portion for partially covering the disk ~~radial portions-spoke~~ along a radial direction of the wheel while leaving part of the disk ~~radial portions-spoke~~ exposed,
wherein the deformable narrow spoke ~~portions~~ include portion includes thin deformable parts covering approximately a middle part of the disk ~~radial portions-spoke~~, and
wherein the thin, deformable parts have a smaller height in comparison with the rest of the deformable narrow spoke portions.